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MEMORANDUM FOR:

special counsel to the DCI

SUBJECT

HSC Draft Report

I had intended to confine my comments on the HSC draft to the section dealing with Tet, but I cannot ignore its willfully distorted dispatch of the NIO structure given on pages 183-184. The draft's language suggests that the DCI/CIA has only one officer and one assistant monitoring 25 countries in Western Europe. This is errant nonsense, and the Committee knows it is nonsense. It has also completely missed the point (I think willfully) of what the NIO system is set up to do and how it functions, though both were explained to it by Keith and have been explained in great detail to other staff members by myself, by Dave and by several other NIO colleagues.

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